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SOUTH SHORE AREA BRANCH MARCH 2017

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<u>Mission Statement:</u> AAUW advances equity for all women and girls through advocacy, education, and research. <u>Vision Statement:</u> AAUW will be a powerful advocate and visible leader in equity and education through research, philanthropy, and measurable change in critical areas impacting the lives of women and girls.

CALENDAR

| March 14, Tuesday | Branch Meeting, 7:00 PM SAFE PASSAGE: Mission Organization for Women and Children in Guatemala Tufts Library, Broad Street, Weymouth |
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| March 21, Tuesday | Book Group "When Breath Becomes Air" by Paul Kalanithi |
| March 23, Thursday | Girls Game Night, 7:00 PM Home of Sandy Carle |
| June 14-17 | National Convention Washington, DC Early registration is now open. |

BRANCH MEETING

Our March meeting will be a joint meeting with DKG Alpha Iota Chapter. Please join us as we learn more about Safe Passage and meet some of its members who have volunteered in Guatemala. The Mission of Safe Passage is to empower the poorest, at risk children of families working and living at the Guatemala City garbage dump by creating opportunities\and fostering dignity and self-esteem through the power of education. Safe Passage has been committed to community involvement since its inception in 1999. Please see the attached flyer for more information. Thanks. Sandy Carle

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

"You are the heroes and history makers, the glass-ceiling breakers of the future. As I have said before, never doubt you are valuable and powerful and deserving of every chance and opportunity in the world." Hillary Clinton

Just an update on our March meeting: we will partner with DKG for this meeting on Tuesday, March 14th being held at Tufts Library on Broad Street in Weymouth. If you have any questions please contact Sandy Carle.

Our STEM program will be held on Saturday, April 8th at Weymouth High School. The contact person is Lynn Howard.

I again encourage you to join Hollie and me in Washington, DC this June. Our former State President, Pam Collins, is chairperson for this convention, so there will be a lot of familiar faces around.

See you in April, Sheila

PUBLIC POLICY

AAUW Reacts to Trump Rescinding Transgender Guidance, February 23, 2017

As a leading voice about all things <u>Title IX</u>, AAUW is dismayed by the Trump administration's decision to rescind federal guidance related to Title IX civil rights protections for transgender students. While this decision does not immediately change the rights transgender students have under the law, it does make students more vulnerable and leaves questions for schools as to how to best comply with Title IX. <u>Click here for more.</u>

The Future Guardians of the Web, November 17, 2016

There's no denying that the Internet has fundamentally transformed the way we live our lives. We can buy products, pay bills, run businesses, chat with loved ones across the world, instantly share files, stream movies and music, and countless other things — all by touching a button on our computers or smartphones. Online tools have certainly made our lives simpler. But with that simplicity also comes great risk. <u>Read more here.</u>

How to Build a Strong Mentor/Mentee Relationship, February 03, 2017

Many of us are aware that mentorship can make a significant difference in one's career, particularly for women in underrepresented fields. However, we often struggle with knowing how to begin making those connections and fostering strong mentor/mentee relationships. <u>Read</u> more here.

STEM UPDATE

Our fourth annual STEM Conference for Girls in Grades 4-8 will be held on Saturday, April 8th at the Weymouth High School from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Last call for Workshop presenters-We could use a few more workshop presenters to present a one hour hands on workshop at the Conference. If you know anyone that might be interested please have them contact me by March 3rd. I am especially looking for women in engineering, technology, or science fields.

Volunteers on April 8th-I am also looking for volunteers to assist with the workshops. If you are available to help out please contact me by **March 15th**. Volunteers do not need to be available to help the entire time so please sign up even if you can only do one hour. Lynn Howard Lynnphoward82@comcast.net 781-901-9120

GIRLS GAME NIGHT

Girls' Game night will be held on March 23 at the home of Sandy Carle at 7 PM.

"A Look into Safe Passage, Guatemala" Joint Meeting: AAUW and DKG

March 14, 2017 Tufts Library, Weymouth, Jones Room

If you plan to attend the light supper before the presentation, fill out your name below and send with a check for \$10.00.

Name

Please make check payable to Alpha lota Chapter and mail to: Sandy Carle 12 Karlyn Rd. Weymouth MA 02188 by Friday March 3, 2017

If you plan to attend only the program please send an email to scarle12@aol.com.